

He desires to visit Paris in the farther prosecution of his medical studies, and wishes to obtain some situation (such as bearer of dispatches to that Court, or some one in the neighborhood) which would defray his expenses. In addition to his other qualifications for the situation, he understands and speaks the French language.

Any assistance which you may have it in your power to render him, will be properly appreciated by Dr. Warren.

*From William L. Long.*

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Halifax,

Oct. 19th, 1850.

Your favor of the 12th. Inst. reached me a few days ago. I have been suffering with Chills and fevers ever since, although convalescent at this time. For your readiness to exert your influence in my behalf, please accept my sincere and grateful acknowledgements. To be tendered a *chargé ship* to any of our foreign Courts would be truly gratifying for many reasons,—but let that pass.

You well remember the noble stand of Mr. Clay, on the annexation of Texas; he raised the veil, and looked into the womb of futurity with a prophet's vision. If Mr. Polk and his friends had been governed by the policy indicated by Mr. Clay, in his letter published on the annexation of Texas in April 1844, we should have escaped the War with Mexico, the California discussion, and instead of agitation and heartburnings among the people upon the subject of Slavery, harmony and good will would prevail throughout the land. "The Country has passed through a severe trial"; and like you, I fear our troubles are not yet ended; though I sincerely hope that the passage of the Compromise measures at the last session of Congress will restore peace to the nation, and that fraternal feeling that ought to exist among our people.

The Union is consecrated to every true American heart by the best blood of the Revolution, by deeds the most heroic and daring; and if there be a man within the chartered limits of the United States who wishes a dissolution of the Union under our glorious Constitution, I would say to him

"If thou dos't Consent

To this most Crewel act, do but despair;

And if thou want'st a cord, the smallest thread

That spider ever twisted from her womb,

Will serve to strangle thee".